Science and Technology accords between India and foreign countries

1680. DR. MOHD HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what was the number of accords in Science and Technology signed between India and other foreign countries during the last three years alongwith the names of such countries; and

(b) what are the details of the projects worked out for the laboratories in India and the signaturing countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) During the last three ytars 32 accords including Agreements, MOUs, Protocols and Exchange of Letters have been signed with the following countries:

Australia; Cuba; China; FRG; France; GDR; Hungary; Mongolia; Netherlands; Peru: Phillipines; Sweden; Thailand, UK; USA, USSR and Venezuela.

During tills period 30 Programmes of Cooperation have also been concluded with Bangladesh; Egypt; DPRK; Pakistan; Poland; ROK; Vietnam; Yougoslavia; Mongolia; Hungary; France; U.K.; USA; Netherlands and Sweden.

(b) A large number of projects in different areas have been identified, an illustrative list includes the following:

—Produciion of antigen for plague serology;

—Opthalmology control of diabetes mellitrus;

—Liver cell transfusion therapy;

—Fertility control & human reproductive biology;

—Occupational health & toxicology;

—Launch of IRS—IA and weekly meteorological M—100 rockets;

—Remote sensing technology and application;

—Nitrogen fertilizer efficiency;

—Development of special strains for bacterial leaching;

—Isolation of lectins in plants & development of cotton varieties;

—Oil seeds;

—Food Technology;

—Building Research;

—Marine Chemistry;

—Metrology & Standards;

—Earthquake Prediction and Building Systems;.

—Risk Assessment and Environmental Studies;

—MHD Power System;

—Development of Coal fired combustors; MHD for geological prospecting.

The joint projects include exchange of information and materials, short term and long term visits of scientists and joint workshops.

Grants and loans to Uttar Pradesh,Madhya Pradesh, Bihar' andJammu and Kashmir

1681. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state what was the total amount of grants and loans given to Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): A Statement is attached .showing the Cental Assistance by way of grants and loans given to Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir during the last three years *[See* Appendix CL, Annexure No 80]

Search of residences of Central Government officers by the C.B.I.

1682. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the PRIME' MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what was the number of searches conducted by the Central Bureau of Investigation of the residences of officers of